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TO: Honorable Joe Nixon, Chair, House Committee on Civil Practices

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB313 by Harris (Relating to collection of civil damages awarded against certain nonprofit institutions.), Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

Under the bill a claimant may not collect damages awarded against certain nonprofit organizations from an endowment fund, restricted fund or similar fund if the fund meets certain conditions. The Department of Protective and Regulatory Services indicates that implementation of the bill could result in barring recovery on breach of contract cases if childcare contractors met the criteria established in the bill. The bar on collection could average \$20,000 per year.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 324 Department of Human Services, 530 Department of Protective and Regulatory

Services

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